

April 3, 1978

LB 108, 636, 885

PRESIDENT: All in favor say aye. Contrary say nay. They are adopted.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I move that LB 885 as amended be advanced to E & E for Engrossment.

PRESIDENT: All in favor say aye. Contrary say nay. The bill is advanced.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I move the E & R amendments to LB 636 be adopted.

PRESIDENT: All in favor say aye. Contrary say nay. They are adopted.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I move that LB 636 as amended be advanced to E & R for Engrossment.

PRESIDENT: All in favor say aye. Contrary say nay. The bill is advanced. We go to item ten, motions.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Richard Lewis moves that LB 108 should be passed notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

PRESIDENT: Senator Richard Lewis.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm about to complete my eighth year in this body and it's the first time that I've ever asked for the opportunity to override a veto, but I think this particular 108 deserves some consideration and I'd just like to visit with you for a minute about it. First of all it's on a matching fund basis. For the \$100,000 involved in this legislation, we get a matching fund of \$100,000 or more and I'd like to explain to you what this money is to be used for. It's to improve the facilities at the Strunk Lake and at the Red Willow Lake and if there is any one thing that I think, and I think you might share this with me, that if we're going to keep a wholesome clean place for the youth of this country to be able to enjoy themselves in swimming, boating, water skiing, fishing or whatever, we're going to have to do something to update and improve these facilities and I think this provides a means to do this very thing. Over the past several years we have eliminated the permit for and we have given free hunting and fishing permits to veterans over sixty five and all senior citizens over seventy years of age. In 1977 this reduced the Commission's cash income by approximately \$750,000 and the total revenue loss since 1972 approximates 2.1 million. Now I think most of you are in support of these free fishing permits and hunting permits to these people, to the veterans over sixty five and to the senior citizens but it seems to me that if we support this concept, and I know we do because it was authorized by action of this Legislature, then I think we'll have to agree that the replacement funds should come from the general fund. We have an opportunity here not only to take it from the general fund, but to get a matching fund from the Corps of Engineers and from the Bureau of Reclamation. I think that this is an entirely worthwhile project. I think that it's something that's very worthy of your consideration and I would ask your support in a vote to override the veto.

PRESIDENT: Senator Koch. Did you mean to have your light on, Senator Koch? Oh, I'm sorry. Any further discussion? The question is shall LB 108 become law? Yes, sir.

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